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JUSTICE CORBIN RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL

Arkansas Supreme Court Associate Justice Donald Corbin, 72, has been released from Baptist Hospital in Little Rock, where he had part of his lung removed on Sept. 9. Doctors found a cancerous tumor in June, and were able to shrink it with chemotherapy prior to surgery. Dr. Derlis Martino and Dr. Hugh Burnett removed the upper lobe of Corbin's left lung, lymph nodes, and shavings from the lower lobe. Pathology results showed that cancer has not spread to the lymph nodes or lower lobe; however Corbin will resume chemotherapy for six months as a precaution.

Justice Corbin spent six nights in the cardiovascular intensive care unit, followed by six nights in a hospital room. "We are grateful to all the friends who have been praying for his recovery," said Corbin's wife, Dorcy Corbin. She said that her husband's doctors are pleased with his progress. In addition to his surgeons, oncologists Brad Baltz and Rhonda Gentry, pulmonologist James Florez, and cardiologist Gary Collins assisted in Justice Corbin's treatment.

Corbin's chemotherapy treatment was suspended when he had emergency bypass surgery on July 20.

Justice Corbin and his wife live in Little Rock and have five adult children. He was elected to the Supreme Court in 1990, and was most recently re-elected in 2006 for another eight-year term. Justice Corbin was a judge on the Arkansas Court of Appeals from 1981-1990. The last four of those years he was Chief Judge of that body: from 1987-1990. Prior to this position, he served five terms as a state representative from 1971-1980. Corbin also practiced law in DeQueen, Lewisville, and Stamps, Arkansas.

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